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Dear Admiral Souers:

You may recall that Major Alexander P. de Seversky, in an article printed recently by The Reader's Digest, declared that accounts of the damage done by the Atomic Bomb to Hiroshima and Nagasaki were "wildly exaggerated," and that if dropped on New York or Chicago one of these bombs would have done no more harm than a ten-ton block-buster.

Experts who assessed on the spot the damage done to the two Japanese cities disagree violently with Major de Seversky. I have assembled the high points of their rebuttal in an article which we shall publish in our May issue, and enclose an advance copy, with my compliments.

Sincerely yours,

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